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kinds of clothing, which has been through the disinfecting chamber. This wearing apparel lacking uniformity, it is impossible to prevent these laborers from wearing any clothing that may not have been disinfected.

I have also to state that the formaldehyd generator, United States Marine-Hospital property, in use here is in fairly good working order, but will require an entirely new jacket.

I have one other suggestion as a preventive measure against the carrying of infection to fruit vessels, namely, the necessity of placing a guard upon the ship while in the fruit ports, who should be under the sole supervision and control of the medical officer.

There can be but little doubt that there is surreptitious communication between ship and shore that can not otherwise be prevented.

Respectfully,

WM. H. CARSON,

Acting Assistant Surgeon, U. S. M. H. S.

The SURGEON-GENERAL,

U. S. Marine-Hospital Service.

BOCAS DEL TORO, COLOMBIA, November 20, 1900.

SIR: I have the honor to herewith report that for the five days ended November 19, 1900, the following-named vessels were inspected, clearing for ports in the United States.

Triplicate copies of the United States Marine-Hospital certificates that are attached to the United States bills of health, and 5 passenger certificates are herewith inclosed.

November 16, steamship *John Wilson*, Norwegian; Olsen, master; crew, 17; 1 passenger; cargo, fruit; for New Orleans, La. November 19, steamship *Tyr*, Danish; Funder, master; crew, 17; no passengers; cargo, fruit; for Mobile, Ala. November 19, steamship *George Dumois*, Norwegian; Jentoft, master; crew, 18; 4 passengers; for Mobile, Ala.

I have to report 1 more case, the tenth, of yellow fever, which developed in the town of Bocas del Toro, November 17, 1900. The patient is a white male and a native of Belize, British Honduras. There is nothing wanting in this case, and I confirm the diagnosis of Dr. Osterhaut, the attending physician.

I have no information as to any deaths occurring during the past five days, either in Bocas del Toro or on the adjacent cays.

Respectfully,

WM. H. CARSON,

Acting Assistant Surgeon, U. S. M. H. S.

The SURGEON-GENERAL,

U. S. Marine-Hospital Service.

COSTA RICA.

Reports from Port Limon—Fruit port.

PORT LIMON, COSTA RICA, November 18, 1900.

SIR: I have the honor to submit report for week ended November 17, 1900. The following vessels have cleared from this port:

Date.	Vessel.	Master.	No. of Crew.	Destination.	Number of passengers.	Number of pieces of baggage disinfected.
Nov. 11	Steamship <i>Olympia</i>	Seiders	38	Mobile, Ala.....	0	0
Nov. 12	Steamship <i>Alleghany</i>	Lowe	40	New York.....	.....	.....
Nov. 14	Steamship <i>Beverly</i>	Israel.....	38	New Orleans, La....	6	.....
Nov. 15	Steamship <i>Adler</i>	Waite.....	25	New York.....	0	0

The case of yellow fever reported in Port Limon by me on October 31, has been discharged. All premises have been disinfected. Two deaths during the week as follows: November 11, a child, 14 years of age, from pericarditis, and November 12, an adult, 30 years of age, from fracture of the skull.

Respectfully,

J. GREY THOMAS,
Acting Assistant Surgeon, U. S. M. H. S.

The SURGEON-GENERAL,
U. S. Marine-Hospital Service.

PORT LIMON, COSTA RICA, *November 18, 1900.*

SIR: As per your instructions, I forward you the transactions at this station from September 16 to November 15, inclusive.

As per inclosure, you will see that I have inspected and issued certificates to 33 vessels, issued certificates to 29 passengers, and disinfected 37 pieces of baggage.

I have also issued certificates to 48 passengers leaving Port Limon on steamship *Sunrise* for Bocas del Toro, Colon, and Bluefields, and have disinfected 96 pieces of baggage going on said steamer.

As per agreement with the Costa Rican Government, I have disinfected 722 pieces of baggage arriving from Jamaica and South American ports.

There have been 29 deaths during the period, as follows: September 16, a child, 1 year and 7 months of age, from dentition; a child, 7 months of age, from pneumonia; September 17, an adult, 50 years of age, carcinoma of rectum; September 18, a child, 6 years of age, from remittent fever; a child, 4 months of age, from intermittent fever; a child, 18 months, from diarrhea; September 24, an infant, 1 month and 8 days, from remittent fever; September 27, an adult, 24 years of age, from remittent fever; October 1, an adult, 27 years of age, from tetanus; October 2, an adult 49 years of age, from Bright's disease; a child, 2 years of age, from malaria; October 4, an adult 25 years of age, from ulcer of intestines; a child, 4 months of age, from malaria; October 9, a child 11 years of age, from inanition; October 11, a child, 8 years of age, from pneumonia; October 13, an adult, 35 years of age, from pernicious fever; an adult, 35 years of age, from tetanus; October 15, an adult, 20 years of age, from remittent fever; an adult, 30 years of age, from pernicious fever; October 16, an adult, 21 years of age, from violence (murder); October 19, an adult, 29 years of age, from heart disease; October 20, an adult, 19 years of age, from pneumonia; an adult, 32 years of age, from dysentery; October 31, an adult, 39 years of age, from peritonitis; November 1, an adult, 28 years of age, from cerebral congestion; November 5, an adult 40 years of age, from pneumonia; November 9, an adult, 40 years of age, from paralysis; November 11, a child, 14 years of age, from pericarditis; November 12, an adult, 30 years of age, from fracture of skull. During the period there has been imported 1 case of yellow fever in the person of the captain of the *Adler*, which arrived here from Bocas del Toro, Colombia, October 25.

During the same period we have had 1 case of yellow fever in Limon, which occurred October 31. Whether this case originated in Limon or not I am unable to say. This patient is a banana receiver, whose duty is to go up and down the railroad to the interior and class bananas as they are loaded on the train. He is exposed to all conditions of weather day and night, and it is possible he may have contracted this disease

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somewhere on the railroad line, though I know of no yellow fever in the interior. All lots in Limon are about filled up to the grade. This work will be completed in a very few days.

Respectfully,

J. GREY THOMAS,

Acting Assistant Surgeon, U. S. M. H. S.

The SURGEON-GENERAL,

U. S. Marine-Hospital Service.

[Inclosure.]

Date.	Vessel.	Master.	No. of crew.	Destination.	Number of passengers.	Number pieces baggage disinfected.
Sept. 20	Steamship Beverly	Israel.	36	New Orleans.....	0	0
Sept. 22	Steamship Holstein.....	Voss.....	21	.....do.....	0	0
Sept. 23	Steamship Hispania.....	Frockberg.....	21	.....do.....	0	0
Sept. 27	Steamship Olympia.....	Seiders.....	40	Mobile.....	0	0
Sept. 29	Steamship Kitty.....	Montansen.....	18	.....do.....	0	0
Oct. 1	Steamship Alene.....	Long.....	38	New York.....	.....	.....
Oct. 3	Steamship Adler.....	Reid.....	24	Mobile.....	0	0
Oct. 4	Steamship Clematis.....	Bulman.....	29	New Orleans.....	0	0
Oct. 5	Steamship Beverly.....	Israel.....	35	Mobile.....	0	0
Oct. 7	Steamship Holstein.....	Voss.....	20	.....do.....	0	0
Oct. 8	Steamship Athas.....	Lund.....	38	New York.....	.....	.....
Oct. 10	Steamship Olympia.....	Seiders.....	38	Mobile.....	0	0
Oct. 12	Steamship Banes.....	Kaland.....	15	.....do.....	0	0
Oct. 15	Steamship Alleghany.....	Lowe.....	40	New York.....	.....	.....
Oct. 16	Steamship Kitty.....	Mortansen.....	19	New Orleans.....	.....	0
Oct. 17	Steamship Schleswig.....	Schluter.....	23	Cienfuegos.....	23	37
Oct. 18	Steamship Beverly.....	Israel.....	37	Mobile.....	0	0
Oct. 19	Steamship Hispania.....	Frockberg.....	21	.....do.....	0	0
Oct. 20	Steamship Anselm.....	Brown.....	35	.....do.....	0	0
Oct. 22	Steamship Altal.....	Morris.....	40	New York.....	.....	.....
Oct. 25	Steamship Olympia.....	Seiders.....	39	Mobile.....	0	0
Oct. 28	Steamship Alabama.....	Severtson.....	17	New Orleans.....	0	0
Oct. 29	Steamship Alene.....	Long.....	38	New York.....	0	0
Oct. 31	Steamship Beverly.....	Israel.....	37	New Orleans.....	0	0
Nov. 2	Steamship Hispania.....	Frockberg.....	21	.....do.....	0	0
Nov. 3	Steamship Kitty.....	Mortansen.....	19	Mobile.....	0	0
Nov. 5	Steamship Athas.....	Lund.....	38	New York.....	.....	.....
Nov. 8	Steamship Anselm.....	Brown.....	37	New Orleans.....	0	0
Nov. 10	Steamship Alabama.....	Severtson.....	17	.....do.....	0	0
Nov. 11	Steamship Olympia.....	Seiders.....	38	Mobile.....	0	0
Nov. 12	Steamship Alleghany.....	Lowe.....	40	New York.....	.....	.....
Nov. 14	Steamship Beverly.....	Israel.....	38	New Orleans.....	6	.....
Nov. 15	Steamship Adler.....	Waite.....	25	New York.....	0	0
Total					29	37

CUBA.

Reports from Cienfuegos, Casilda, and Santa Cruz del Sur.

CIENFUEGOS, CUBA, November 26, 1900.

SIR: I have the honor to report that during the week ended November 24, 1900, 21 deaths occurred in this city; following are the causes: Tuberculosis, 5; paludism, 2; tetanus, infantile, 2; cirrhosis of the liver, 2; meningitis, 1; enteritis, 1; arterial sclerosis, 1; remittent fever 1; wounds, 1; gangrene, 1; heart disease, 1; broncho-pneumonia, 1; pernicious fever, 1; anæmia, 1. No contagious diseases reported. Death rate for the week, 27.38. Twenty vessels have entered this port during the week. Eighteen vessels have received bills of health for other ports.

During the week 48 health certificates have been issued to passengers; 24 pieces of baggage disinfected, arriving from Havana; 31 pieces baggage, destination, Santiago, labelled to be disinfected at Santiago; 56 pieces of baggage, destination, ports between this port and Jucaro, also arriving from Havana for Cienfuegos, inspected and passed.